# CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** gauge The Rape Dream Bondage xxx.mpg

**Other known title(s):** Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 802139

**Medium:** Computer Moving Image File

**Director:** Not stated

**Producer:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** English

**Applicant:** District Court at Wellington

**Classification:** Objectionable.

**Excisions:** No excisions recommended

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 03 February 2009

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

| | Components | Running time |
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| **Feature(s):** | gauge The Rape Dream Bondage xxx.mpg | 42:07 |
| **Total running time:** | | 42:07 |

**Summary of reasons for decision:**

The publication is classified as objectionable because it promotes and supports the use of violence to compel a person to submit to sexual conduct.

The computer moving image file depicts a simulation of rape. It is sexually explicit and clearly designed to sexually arouse the viewer. The publication presents the woman's pain and fear as arousing and legitimises and encourages those with an interest in sexual violence directed at

women.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the use of violence to compel a person to submit to sexual conduct.